



WEYMOUTH

Norfolk County



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NARRATIVE

Narrative

Weymouth is the second oldest town in the Commonwealth, behind Plymouth, and the site of the first town meeting. Established in 1622 and incorporated in 1635, the town was a fishing and agricultural community for almost two hundred years.

Today, Weymouth is primarily a residential suburb of Quincy and Boston, a bedroom community south of Boston on well-sheltered Hingham Bay. Route 3, which runs through the heart of the town, provides direct connection to Boston and to Route 128 and as a result of the proximity to these highways, new areas for business and industry have developed.

As a coastal community, Weymouth provides much in recreational activity. The town offers an extensive program in water safety and swimming instruction at Wessagusset Beach, and at Whitman's Pond; and boaters enjoy the waters of Quincy and Hingham Bays.

(Narrative supplied by community)



GEOGRAPHY

Location

Eastern Massachusetts, bordered by Braintree and Holbrook on the west; Abington and Rockland on the south; Hingham on the east; and the Weymouth Fore River, the Weymouth Back River, and Hingham Bay on the north. Weymouth is 12 miles southeast of Boston; 50 miles east of Worcester; 42 miles northeast of Providence, Rhode Island; and 227 miles from New York City.

Total Area: 21.61 sq. miles

Land Area: 17.01 sq. miles

Population: 54,063

Density: 3,178 per sq. mile

Climate

(National Climatic Data Center)

(Hingham Station)

Normal temperature in January.....27.4°F

Normal temperature in July.....71.5°F

Normal annual precipitation.....47.7"

U.S.G.S. Topographical Plates

Weymouth, Hull

Regional Planning Agency

Metropolitan Area Planning Council

Metropolitan Statistical Area

(1993 Definition)

Boston



GOVERNMENT

Municipal Offices

Main Number: (781) 335-2000

[Telephone Numbers for Public Information](#)

Form of Government

Mayor - Council

Year Incorporated

As a town: 1635

Registered Voters (Secretary of State 1994)

Number	%
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Total Registered 32,516

Democrats 12,082 37.2 % Republicans 3,547 10.9 % Other parties 9 0.0 % Unenrolled Voters 16,878 51.9 %

Legislators

[Senators and Representatives by City and Town](#)



DEMOGRAPHICS

Table DP-1. Profile of General Demographic Characteristics: 2000

Geographic Area: Weymouth town, Norfolk County, Massachusetts

[For information on confidentiality protection, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
Total population.....	53,988	100.0	HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
SEX AND AGE			Total population.....	53,988	100.0
Male.....	25,640	47.5	Hispanic or Latino (of any race).....	721	1.3
Female.....	28,348	52.5	Mexican.....	99	0.2
Under 5 years.....	3,496	6.4	Puerto Rican.....	238	0.4
5 to 9 years.....	3,490	6.4	Cuban.....	42	0.1
10 to 14 years.....	3,213	6.0	Other Hispanic or Latino.....	342	0.6
15 to 19 years.....	2,718	5.0	Not Hispanic or Latino.....	53,267	98.7
20 to 24 years.....	2,606	4.8	White alone.....	50,758	94.0
25 to 34 years.....	8,260	15.3	RELATIONSHIP		
35 to 44 years.....	9,370	17.4	Total population.....	53,988	100.0
45 to 54 years.....	7,523	13.9	In households.....	53,303	98.7
55 to 59 years.....	2,924	5.4	Householder.....	22,028	40.8
60 to 64 years.....	2,195	4.1	Spouse.....	10,710	19.8
65 to 74 years.....	4,343	8.0	Child.....	15,879	29.4
75 to 84 years.....	3,018	5.6	Own child under 18 years.....	11,014	20.4
85 years and over.....	952	1.8	Other relatives.....	2,368	4.4
Median age (years).....	38.4	(X)	Under 18 years.....	698	1.3
18 years and over.....	42,132	78.0	Nonrelatives.....	2,318	4.3
Male.....	19,514	36.1	Unmarried partner.....	1,022	1.9
Female.....	22,618	41.9	In group quarters.....	685	1.3
21 years and over.....	40,724	75.4	Institutionalized population.....	545	1.0
62 years and over.....	9,560	17.7	Noninstitutionalized population.....	140	0.3
65 years and over.....	8,313	15.4	HOUSEHOLD BY TYPE		
Male.....	3,215	6.0	Total households.....	22,028	100.0
Female.....	5,098	9.4	Family households (families).....	13,928	63.2
RACE			With own children under 18 years.....	6,008	27.3
One race.....	53,325	98.8	Married-couple family.....	10,710	48.6
White.....	51,229	94.9	With own children under 18 years.....	4,670	21.2
Black or African American.....	779	1.4	Female householder, no husband present.....	2,449	11.1
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	102	0.2	With own children under 18 years.....	1,089	4.9
Asian.....	843	1.6	Nonfamily households.....	8,100	36.8
Asian Indian.....	288	0.5	Householder living alone.....	6,746	30.6
Chinese.....	244	0.5	Householder 65 years and over.....	2,437	11.1
Filipino.....	59	0.1	Households with individuals under 18 years.....	6,496	29.5
Japanese.....	22	-	Households with individuals 65 years and over ..	5,880	26.7
Korean.....	54	0.1	Average household size.....	2.42	(X)
Vietnamese.....	114	0.2	Average family size.....	3.08	(X)
Other Asian ¹	62	0.1	HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	28	0.1	Total housing units.....	22,573	100.0
Native Hawaiian.....	4	-	Occupied housing units.....	22,028	97.6
Guamanian or Chamorro.....	6	-	Vacant housing units.....	545	2.4
Samoa.....	7	-	For seasonal, recreational, or		
Other Pacific Islander ²	11	-	occasional use.....	102	0.5
Some other race.....	344	0.6	Homeowner vacancy rate (percent).....	0.4	(X)
Two or more races.....	663	1.2	Rental vacancy rate (percent).....	2.1	(X)
<i>Race alone or in combination with one</i>			HOUSING TENURE		
<i>or more other races: ³</i>			Occupied housing units.....	22,028	100.0
White.....	51,767	95.9	Owner-occupied housing units.....	14,834	67.3
Black or African American.....	944	1.7	Renter-occupied housing units.....	7,194	32.7
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	267	0.5	Average household size of owner-occupied units.....	2.67	(X)
Asian.....	1,014	1.9	Average household size of renter-occupied units.....	1.91	(X)
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	56	0.1			
Some other race.....	638	1.2			

- Represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable.

¹ Other Asian alone, or two or more Asian categories.

² Other Pacific Islander alone, or two or more Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander categories.

³ In combination with one or more of the other races listed. The six numbers may add to more than the total population and the six percentages may add to more than 100 percent because individuals may report more than one race.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000.



HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS

Home Sales (Banker & Tradesman) -

[Town Stats - Free market Statistics](#)

Subsidized Housing Units (DHCD 1998)

[DHCD Subsidized Housing Inventory](#)

Subsidized Housing Units: The number of housing units which count toward the municipality's 10% goal for low- and moderate-income housing. It includes both subsidized affordable units and market rate units in certain eligible subsidized developments.

Public Housing Units (DHCD 1999)

Conventional State: 405

Conventional Federal: 111

Rental Assistance(DHCD 1999)

State (MRVP: 118

Federal (Section 8): 159



TRANSPORTATION

TRANSPORTATION AND ACCESS

Weymouth is situated in the Greater Boston Area, which has excellent rail, air, and highway facilities. State Route 128 and Interstate Route 495 divide the region into inner and outer zones, which are connected by numerous "spokes" providing direct access to the airport, port, and intermodal facilities of Boston.

Major Highways

Principal highways are State Routes 3 (the Southeast Expressway), 3A, 18, and 53.

Rail

Commuter rail service to South Station, Boston, will be available in 1996-97 on the Plymouth Line. MBTA subway service is available on the Red Line from Braintree and Quincy (travel time from Quincy Adams to Park Street, Boston: 22 min.; 2,227 MBTA parking spaces). The Bay Colony Railroad provides freight rail service to Weymouth. Contact number: (781) 380-3556

Bus

Weymouth is a member of the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA), which provides fixed route service to Quincy Adams and Quincy Center Stations on the Red Line and other points. The MBTA also provides THE RIDE, a paratransit service for the elderly and disabled. Carey's Bus Lines provides commuter service from Weymouth and South Weymouth to 3 locations in Boston.

Other

The Norwood Memorial Airport, a Reliever Airport located 2 mi. E of Norwood, has two asphalt runways: 4,001'x 150' and 4,007'x 150'. Instrument approaches available: Non-precision. Boston Harbor Commuter Services and Mass Bay Lines provide commuter boat service from Hingham to Rowes Wharf, Boston.



CULTURE AND RECREATION

LIBRARIES

[Board of Library Commissioners On-line Library Catalog](#)

(American Association of Museums)

None

MUSEUMS

RECREATION

[Telephone Numbers for Public Information](#)

Recreational Facilities (Recreational sites and activities)

[Department of Environmental Management Recreation Section](#)



MISCELLANEOUS

HEALTH FACILITIES

(Dept. of Public Health 1992)

Hospitals

South Shore Hospital

Long Term Care

Colonial Nursing & Rehab. Center

Logan Healthcare Facility-SNC

Pond Meadow Healthcare Fac.

Pope Nursing Home

Samuel Marcus Nursing & Retirement

Hospices

None

Rest Homes

Elizabeth Catherine Retirement Fac.

Whittaker Rest Home

UTILITIES

[Telephone Numbers for Public Utilities](#)

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